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XIV.

all things required of him or them by this act, during the term aforesaid ;" which bond any person may sue for any breach thereof.

Carriages to
travel great
public road,
&c.

IX. And be it enacted, That the said stage-carriages shall travel or pass and repairs on the great public road as the same is now established, or shall hereafter be established by law, from the river Susquehanna, passing through Baltimore-town, to George-town, or the ferry opposite Alexandria on the river Patowmack, as the general assembly may direct.

On neglect of
duty this act
to be void,
&c.

X. And be it enacted, That if the said Gabriel Peterson Vanhorn, his executors, administrators or assigns, shall refuse or wilfully neglect to perform any of the duties required of him or them by this act, according to the true intent and meaning thereof, to the prejudice and damage of the state, that in such case this act shall be void, and the exclusive privilege and right granted by this act shall cease and determine, and scire facias may issue out of the general court against the said Gabriel Peterson Vanhorn, his executors, administrators or assigns, suggesting the cause why this grant should cease and determine ; and if the facts suggested shall be found to be true by a jury, (or the said Gabriel Peterson Vanhorn, his executors, administrators or assigns, being duly summoned, shall refuse to appear or to plead,) the court may give judgment, and thereupon this grant shall cease and determine.

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An A C T for the relief of the poor in Talbot county.

Preamble.

WHEREAS the necessity, number, and continual increase, of the poor within said county, is very great and burthensome, which might be greatly lessened by a due regulation and employment of them ; therefore,

Work-house
to be erected,
&c.

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That there shall be an alms and work-house erected and built in Talbot county, at a convenient place therein, at the general charge and expence of the said county ; and that the justices of the said county for the time being shall, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, to assess and levy, in equal proportion on the property within the said county liable to assessment, at the time of laying the county rate, the sum of four hundred pounds current money in each of the years seventeen hundred and eighty-six, seventeen hundred and eighty-seven, and seventeen hundred and eighty-eight, together with the collector's commission of four per centum thereon for collecting the same ; which said rate or assessment so as aforesaid to be laid and levied, shall be collected by the collector of the said county, in the same manner, and at the same time, as the county rate is collected ; and the said money when so as aforesaid collected, shall be paid by the said collector to such trustees for the poor, or the major part of them, as are by this act appointed, who are hereby authorized and required to receive and apply the same to the uses and purposes herein after directed.

Trustees ap-
pointed, &c.

III. And be it enacted, That for the time being the several persons hereafter named be, and are hereby appointed, trustees of the poor within the said county, and are empowered, with full and sufficient authority, to discharge the several offices, duties and trusts reposed in and required of them by this act, that is to say, William Hayward, James Benton, Thomas Sherwood, Peregrine Tilghman, and William Goldsborough, Esquires ; the which persons, or the major part of them, in case of the death or absence of any, are hereby required, with all convenient speed, to meet at such place within their county as to them shall seem meet, to qualify